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### Referendum Benefits.

The people of the District will gain certain obvious benefits if Congress 16 to 1. grants the proposed referendum on the liquor question:

1. Congress will recognize in a practical, definite way its peculiar obligation, in legislating for the unrepresented District, to ascertain carefully and to carry out scrupulously the reasonable wishes concerning its own local affairs of the unrepresented community itself. The American principle of representative government demands that every legislature shall voice in legislation the opinions and wishes of those whom it straight republican ticket. represents. Congress as local legislature of a community which has not elected it even in part must in equity approximate compliance with this American and representative principle by acting as if it had been chosen by the capital community. It must as a consequence represent in such local legislation reasonable public opinion among its capital constituents, in due subordination, however, to the paramount national interest. This local public opinion on legislative issues of sufficient importance to warrant the trouble and expense involved is wisely and reliably ascertained through a carefully safeguarded referendum vote.

This principle of legislation and its application to Congress as the District's legislature are not the mere creations of the imagination of the presumptuous Washingtonian. Some of the Presidents of the United States are included among the thinkers who have vigorously and convincingly taught this doctrine. The first President to urge specifically the application of the injunction "Put Yourself in His Place" to legislation for the District by a legislature not chosen by it was William Henry Harrison in his inaugural address. He said (1841):

"The grant to Congress of exclusive meaning nothing more than to allow to Congress the controlling power nec-essary to accord a free and safe exerof their own interests."

In a veto message (1867) President far away. trine, saving in part:

to an extent that would not be incompatible with the object for which Congress was granted exclusive legislation popularity in the chamber, would capiover the seat of government. As a general rule sound policy requires that the legislature should yield to the questions are those whose interests are

cast these advisory referendum votes, as for him. negro suffrage in the District. Where Congress authorized the advisory vote the referendum was unauthorized the vote was disregarded.

If Congress should now authorize the in accordance with precedent and in would be yield? conformity with a principle governing its tocal legislation which is recognized to be wise and fair.

The battle of Verdun has greatly over- pentant. stayed the time allotted to it by military

of rewards offered for his capture ought Roosevelt administration. to be censored.

#### Bull Moosery and Democracy.

in November on the strength of the pages considerably. party's record in office, but confesses that if the republicans and bull moosers the fight will be very interesting.

In an article in the current Independent on the general situation he

"It now looks as if the progressives were determined to "turn to the republican party almost without condition, although they will, of course, se-cure as favorable terms as possible. The democratic party has been so progressive that it ought to appeal strongly to that portion of the progressive party which acted upon conviction rather than upon personal affection for the progres-sive candidate, but the number of recruits thus far won from the progressive republicans is not encouraging—in fact, it is disappointing. The reunion of these elements so bitterly hostile to each other four years ago illustrates anew the strength of party ties and the difficulty of drawing permanently from one of the leading parties any considerable

element of its membership.' It is not easy to understand how any-

of the men who followed Mr. Roosevelt tuated with spots of color as the croturn to the democratic party after that tulips burst into bloom. movement failed. The demonstration was not so much over a principle as over a personality. No other man but Mr. Roosevelt could have organized that bolt. He was its inspiration and its sustenance, and when failure came The Evening Star Newspaper Company reflection followed, and the old party looked good again to those who had been born in it, and never before been

returned home. nen who left the democratic party in tourist travel is heaviest at present. 1896, and voted that year either for Mc-Kinley and Hobart or for Palmer and men on either the republican or the depends a good deal upon the individual gold democratic ticket. Neither were they prejudiced against Mr. Bryan as a man, or critical of the means by which protest was against the leading principle enunciated in the platform on were bitterly opposed to free silver at

When that fight ended, and Mr. Bryan nailed free silver to the democratic mast and this duty. and announced that the "deserters," as he called them, should not return to the ship except in sackcloth and ashespenitent for their action, and pledged not to repeat it-the "deserters" who had gone over to the republican camp remained, while the strongest of those a result practically all shipping at that who had sought the half-way house of port is blocked, while there has been the gold democracy completed their journey and four years later voted the Glasgow, twenty-three workmen having

The difference between the bolt which caused democratic defeat in 1896 and that which caused republican defeat in at which work is being done in all of 1912 is very wide.

Senator Taggart's Announcement. in Indiana at Mr. Taggart's decision in other necessities of life. From the bethe matter of the senatorship. The way ginning of the war, however, the British for him was clear, and opinion was gen- workmen have shown a recalcitrant eral that he would seek nomination at spirit, and just now with the governthe state convention. Personal affairs ment under some strain owing to the

That Mr. Taggart's candidacy would ment question, it is not surprising to have brought out the full strength of find them moving for the betterment of the democratic organization in the state their condition. Serious developments is certain. He is, and long has been, from this cause, however, are not to be its head, and while serving others has expected, for the government has apseldom served himself. Beyond a paro- parently no lack of means of maintainchial office or two, which he easily ob- ing order and the percentage of disaftained, he has asked nothing for him- fection among the workingmen is apself at the hands of the voters.

Equally certain is it, however, that Mr. Taggart's candidacy would have ways attaches everywhere to men who T. R. policies. achieve reputation as professional politicians. They shy at the name boss, and usually oppose those who wear it. Often jurisdiction in the District of Columbia they accept the usufruct of a boss' accan be interpreted so far as respects the tivity, but seldom are willing that he aggregate people of the United States as himself should profit from it in the

way of office for himself. Several men of influence are mencise of the functions assigned to the tioned for the nomination. Gov. Ralgeneral government by the Constitution. ston, who appointed Mr. Taggart, and is to read and write. What he reads In all other respects the legislation of is approaching the end of his term as and what he writes is of no consequence. is approaching the end of his term as and what he writes is of no consequence. Congress should be adapted to their pe-culiar position and wants and be conformable with their deliberate opinion nounced. Convention day, when the selection will be made, is April 26-not genial information that he will be ready

Andrew Johnson elaborated this doc- It is true, however, as The Star has several times suggested, that the best "In all matters then affecting their do- qualified democrat in the state for the mestic affairs the spirit of our demo-cratic form of government demands that their wishes should be consulted and respected. \* \* \* It was evidently the place he now holds, and as a senacontemplated that all local questions tor would know all the ropes and his would be left to their decision at least way around. His equipment as a lawyer, his talent for debate and his personal talize at a good figure.

But his nomination for senator would require the selection of a new running wishes of the people, when not incon-sistent with the Constitution and the mate for Mr. Wilson, and some objec-The measures suited to one com- tion to a change is heard. Mr. Marshall munity might not well be adapted to as Vice President has been a source of the condition of another; and the persons best qualified to determine such strength to the administration-not eried out from the housetops, but exto be directly affected by any proposed isting nevertheless. He has supported law." and praised his chief, and was among Washington has in several instances the first to declare for a second term

upon a proposed code of laws and upon Indiana, while not pivotal, is an important state in the democratic calculations and this senatorial nomination it followed the advice given. Where needs to be settled in a very careful way. If complications should grow out I'm wonderin' is whether I kin spruce of Mr. Taggart's decision, would he reconsider it under pressure? If drafted he's entitled to." proposed referendum it would be acting by the democratic state convention,

> After a congressional investigation gets through with a man it may be assumed that he is chastened and re

Mr. Roosevelt's opinion of the pres ent administration is expressed more Villa is of the opinion that reports freely than Mr. Witson's opinion of the

There are issues of the Congressional ly; "dar is sumpin' jes' about like dat Record which suggest that an active de matter wif my mule." Mr. Bryan predicts democratic victory corps of ad writers would enliven its

Carrying concealed germs or pois unite on a candidate acceptable to both should be as serious an offense as carrying concealed weapons.

#### The Real Springtime.

The end of March is of a typical lamblike quality. No one regrets the passing of the month. It has been a mean, disagreeable, temper-trying, coalconsuming period. It has caused much sickness. The high winds and the chill airs, the occasional snows and frequent rains have made it one of the most unpleasant times of the year. Now it is passing, and everybody hopes that the spring is really here. There are many Its way before it hits the price-tag on signs in evidence. The grass is looking greener and the trees are beginning to show their first soft brown tone of swelling buds. Every day will bring That's the style of uplift that will not rapid advancement, as the sun gains in power. Bulbs are showing green points above the sod and in a remarkably quick There shouldn't be no uplift on the bedy could have expected many if any time the parks and lawns will be punc-

out of the republican party in 1912 to cuses and jonquils and hyacinths and

Washington is on the eve of its loveliest season, the time of the greatest delight. Its great acreage of parks enables it to present a rare picture in the budding time of the year. Few cities have so wide an extent of turf and treegrown spaces. Few have so many streets lined with shade trees. The combination of street trees and park Chicago Office: First National Bank outside its pale. Knowing the way, they foliage makes this city exceptional, especially at the present season, and it is It was very different with many of the not a matter of wonder that the tide of

> These spring signs warn the house holders of the city to start their gar Buckner. They were not devoted to the den work. Washington's attractiveness co-operation of the citizens, to whom are given wide spaces for the enjoyment of themselves and the community at large he had been nominated. Their whole It is an article of faith on the part of the good citizen to utilize these spaces to the full and to make the most of the which Mr. Bryan was standing. They opportunity for lawns or flower beds or window boxes. The "City Beautiful" will not be fully developed until every Washingtonian appreciates this chance

#### England's Labor Troubles.

England is not over its labor troubles, according to dispatches that have recently come. A strike of 10,000 stevedores has occurred at Liverpool, and as rioting among the munitions workers at been fined for disorder. It is not unnatural that there should be some conflicts as a result of the high tension the countries now at war. Probably in many cases there is lack of perfect adjustment between the wage scales and Surprise is expressed both here and the price list in the range of food and are given as the reason for his action. differences over the compulsory enlistparently small.

Col. Roosevelt stands by his secrealienated many voters who are classed tary, under arrest for becoming involved as independents. In those circles he in fisticuffs, without directly admitting suffers from the unpopularity that al- that the young gentleman represents the

> The New York magistrate who decided that poker is a gentleman's game has evidently been careful in the choice of company on occasions of sportive re

All an immigrant should be required to do, according to some of the students,

Sir Thomas Lipton has conveyed the with another yacht as soon as the ocean is cleared to provide a race course.

German economists complain of the waste of leather in high-topped boots has served a sort of apprenticeship in But the saving of dress material is not to be despised.

In less than a year the feverish question of whether there shall be an inaugural ball will again come up for dis-

Right now is the time for each city to announce that it has a base ball pen-

#### SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

Parental Conscience.

"My boy Josh has got me kind o' worried," said Farmer Corntossel. "Ain't he behavin'?" asked the neigh-

" I hadn't thought about that. What

up an' be the kind of a father he thinks A Queer Bird.

The aeroplane can sing no lay. As food it has no use; Nor does it as a bird of prey Make hunger its excuse.

SelfConsideration. "I consider my own health and comfort," remarked the intensely self-concerned person. "Public opinion means

"Well," replied Uncle Eben, pensive-

#### Distribution.

nothing to me.'

"There's a lot of fun in motoring." "Yes," answered Mr. Chuggins. "But you can't be sure who's going to get the big share of it; you or the sheriff."

#### His Sentiment.

"What are your political sentiments?" "I don't know for sure," replied Senstor Sorghum. "Out where I come from they don't let you have sentiment in politics."

#### Uplift.

Goin' to have an uplift-I dunno what they mean, But I hope that it ain't somethin' bout the price of gasoline, Goin' to have an uplift-I hope that it

a pair of shoes.

Liftin' up our voices an' a-jollying

The value of the notion may depend on price of pork an' beans.

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Women's Silk Gloves

Women's Pure Silk Milanese Gloves, 2-clasp style, double-tipped fingers; black, white, also in black, white, navy and Newport, with contrasting embroidered backs. A very special 75C value, at.

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Children's and Misses' Raincoats, of red and blue sateen. Sizes 10 to 16 years, and values worth up to \$3.50 at \$2.29.

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variety of neat checks, stripes and plain colors; all are neatly made and well tailored; perfect fitting garments.

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Balkan Suits

Balkan Suits

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ered collar; sizes 2 to 6 years. \$0.75 A very extraordinary value at ... Infants' Short White Coats, box styles,

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